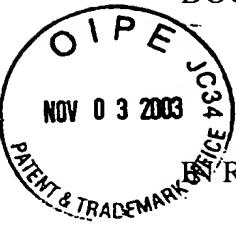


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Responsive to the Official Action dated October 2, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group II, Claims 5, 6, 7, 8, drawn to a protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 9, DNA encoding the protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 9.

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